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GOVERNOR CULVER NAMES 4 INDIVIDUALS TO HOSPITAL LICENSING BOARD

(DES MOINES) . Today, Governor Chet Culver named Patricia McDermott of West Des Moines, Lannie Miller of West Bend, La Rae Schelling of Marshalltown, and Dr. Peter Wallace of Iowa City to the state's Hospital Licensing Board.

"As Governor, I am committed to ensuring that all Iowans have access to quality, affordable health care, and that begins with the outstanding hospitals all across our state," said Governor Culver. "That is why I am proud to appoint these four individuals to the state's Hospital Licensing Board. With their help, we will ensure that Iowa's hospitals are some of the best in the nation."

Below is information on the appointments Governor Culver made today:

Board: Hospital Licensing Board

Board Administrator: Dean Lerner, Department of Inspections and Appeals

Members: 6

Function: To consult with and advise the department in matters of policy affecting administration of this chapter, and in the development of rules and standards provided for under this chapter, to review and approve rules and standards authorized under this chapter prior to their approval by the state board of health and adoption by the department.

New Appointees:

Dr. Peter Wallace . Democrat, Iowa City. Dr. Wallace has served as the Hospital Administrator at Mercy Medical Center in Iowa City for the last 15 years. Before serving in his current position he was a pediatrician in a private practice he began in 1974. Graduate of Grinnell College. A.B. in Biology, 1965; University of Iowa . M.D., 1967; University of Wisconsin, M.S. Administrative Medicine, 1997.

Patricia McDermott . Democrat, West Des Moines. Pat is the Compliance Officer at Mercy Medical Center in Des Moines. She began her employment with Mercy in 1974

as a Staff Nurse and Team Leader. Graduate of Marycrest College - B.S. in Nursing, 1968; University of Iowa - Masters in Nursing, 1988.

La Rae Schelling . Democrat, Marshalltown. La Rae is the Chief Operating Officer and Chief Nursing Officer for the Marshalltown Medical & Surgical Center. She also worked as an Intensive Care Nurse in 1976. Graduate Marshalltown Community School of Nursing, 1975; Des Moines University - Master in Health Care Administration, 2005.

Lannie Miller, Republican . West Bend. Lannie is a former County Supervisor for Palo Alto County, former member and chair of the Mental Health, Mental Retardation, Developmental Disabilities and Brain Injuries Commission, and former West Bend School Board Member. Graduate of United States Army Artillery & Missile School at Fort Sill, Ok, 1962.

NOTE: Two additional members, Patricia Markham of Atlantic and Robert Miller of Mount Pleasant will continue to serve on the board.

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